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**PUBLIC SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY BUREAU EXTENDS THE COMMENT DATE  
FOR THE PUBLIC NOTICE ADDRESSING INTEROPERABILITY, OUT-OF-BAND  
EMISSIONS AND EQUIPMENT CERTIFICATION FOR 700 MHZ PUBLIC SAFETY  
BROADBAND NETWORKS**

**PS Docket No. 06-229**

**Revised Comment Date: July 19, 2010**

On May 18, 2010, the Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau (Bureau) released a public notice (*Interoperability PN*) seeking comment on interoperability, out-of-band emissions, and equipment certification for 700 MHz public safety broadband networks.<sup>1</sup> The Bureau set June 17, 2010, as the comment date for the *Interoperability PN*.

The District of Columbia (District), one of the twenty-one states and localities recently granted conditional waivers for early public safety broadband deployment,<sup>2</sup> has filed a request for a one-month extension of the comment date for the *Interoperability PN*.<sup>3</sup> In support of its request, the District notes that the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) has opened a special application window for waiver recipients to apply for funding from the Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP) to support their early deployments.<sup>4</sup> This application window closes July 1, 2010.<sup>5</sup> Because the comment date for the *Interoperability PN* falls within “the very short period within which waiver recipients may prepare and file complex and resource-intensive BTOP applications,” the District requests that the Bureau grant a one-month extension of this date.<sup>6</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> See Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau Seeks Comment on Interoperability, Out-of-Band Emissions, and Equipment Certification for 700 MHz Public Safety Broadband Networks, PS Docket No. 06-229, *Public Notice*, DA 10-884 (rel. May 18, 2010) (*Interoperability PN*).

<sup>2</sup> See Requests for Waiver of Various Petitioners to Allow the Establishment of 700 MHz Interoperable Public Safety Wireless Broadband Networks, PS Docket No. 06-229, *Order*, FCC 10-79 (rel. May 12, 2010).

<sup>3</sup> See District of Columbia, Request for Extension of Time to Submit Comments, PS Docket No. 06-229 (filed June 8, 2010) (District Request).

<sup>4</sup> See *id.* at 1-2.

<sup>5</sup> See Broadband Technology Opportunities Program, 75 Fed. Reg. 27,984, 27,985 (May 19, 2010).

<sup>6</sup> District Request at 2.

We agree with the District that a brief extension of the comment date for the *Interoperability PN* is appropriate under the circumstances. In particular, we recognize the magnitude and complexity of preparing and submitting BTOP applications. A brief extension of the comment date is necessary to ensure that waiver recipients participating in the BTOP application process have a fair opportunity to prepare and submit comments on the *Interoperability PN* as well. Accordingly, we extend until July 19, 2010, the comment date for the *Interoperability PN*.

For further information about this Public Notice, please contact Jennifer A. Manner, Deputy Chief, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau, at (202) 418-3619.

Action by the Chief, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau.

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